ii. INJURY CASES: Relief ranging from Rs. 500/- to Rs. 2000/- has been given in 2603 cases.

iii. DAMAGES TO DWELLING UNITS: Financial assistance @Rs. 1000/- for partial damage @Rs. 5000/- for substantial damage and @Rs. 10,000/- in the cases of total damage to the dwelling units was given in 3537 cases in 1984-85. In June, 1990, the Govt. of India doubled the rate of financial assistance for each category. Enhanced claims at the prescribed rates have been paid in 2560, cases so far. Remaining cases are under process.

iv. PENSION (AD HOC RELIEF): 297 widows/old age persons are getting ad hoc relief @Rs. 1000/- per month. This includes 40 widows who are getting an additional sum of Rs. 1000/- per month till their one employable son/daughter becomes an earning member. Claims of 12 widows and one old age person are under process.

v. EMPLOYMENT TO WIDOWS/ WARDS: 604 widows/wards have been provided employment so far.

vi. ALLOTMENT OF TENEMENTS: 2113 tenements have been allotted to the riot affected widows/ wards. Besides 32 cases are under process.

vii. MARRIAGE ASSISTANCE: Financial assistance @Rs. 5000/- for remarriage of a widow and Rs. 3000/- for marriage of a daughter has been provided in 213 cases.

viii. UNINSURED COMMERCIAL PPROPERTIES: 3406 cases have been settled. 2 cases are under process. In June, 1990, the Government of India ordered a review of the cases of uninsured commercial properties where compensation recommended by the Claim Settlement Officers was reduced by the Director (R&R). Out of 760 cases in this category, 66 cases have been reviewed so far.

ix. ANCILLARY UNITS: An ancillary units has been set-up at Tilak Vihar by Delhi State Civil Supplies Corporation. 50 widows have taken up gainful employment by undertaking packing of foodgrains and grinding of spices.

x. INSURANCE CLAIMS: Relief is being paid to the extent of 50% of the damage/loss subject to a maximum of Rs. 50,000/- in cases where the insurance policies did not cover loss caused by the riots. 373 cases have been settled.

xi. GRANT OF STIPEND: Stipend is being granted to wards of 1984 riot victims widows @Rs.50/- and Rs.100/- per month for school going and college going students respectively. In 752 cases, stipend has been provided so far.

II. An expenditure of Rs. 20,40,57,401/- has been incurred under the above schemes so far rehabilitate the victims of 1984 riots.

Representation of SC/ST Welfare Association, Chandigarh

6971. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes Employees Welfare As-

sociation, Chandigarh has been representing to the Union Territory Administration against non-implementation of the reservation policy in various departments of the Administration; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Perumon Refractories in Kerala

6972. SHRI T.J. ANJALOSE: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken any decision to start the "perumon Refractories" in Perumon, Quilon, Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTHOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c). Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation (KSIDC), a State Government Undertaking of Government of Kerala, has a proposal to set up a refractory unit for the equity participation of Steel Authority of India Ltd (SAIL) in this refractory unit. In view of the excess capacity in the domestic refractory industry it was felt that it would not be possible for SAIL to participate in the equity of the proposed project.

Continuance of Market Intervention Operation of NDDB

6973. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned 'NDDB' pressure on Government to foil oil traders ' lobby' appearing in Business Standard, Calcutta dated 19 August , 1991;

(b) if so the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to allow the continuance of Market Intervention Operation (MIO) pursued by NDDB?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The NDDB has been appointed as the agency to carry out market intervention operations for a period of five years by Government of India in April,1989. The objectives, guidelines, terms and conditions of Market Intervention Operations have been determined. There is no proposal pending before this Department for any major departures from the decisions taken in the matter.

Sharing of River Waters between India and Bangladesh

6974. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far by the Secretaries Committee on sharing of Ganga Waters with Bangaladesh towards the working out of a broad framework for long-term comprehensive sharing of the common rivers;

(b) what has been response of the new Bangladesh Government towards the solution of this problem;